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Abstract:

The performance of a shared memory multiprocessor system with a multiple-interconnection network is studied in this paper. The effect of bus and memory contention is modeled using a **probabilistic** model and a closed form solution. The acceptance **probability** of each processor is presented. It is assumed that each processor in the system has a distinct **priority** assigned to it and that **arbitration** is based on **priority**. Whenever a **request** from a processor is rejected due to bus memory conflicts, the **request** is resubmitted until granted. Based on the model, the individual processor acceptance **probabilities** are first estimated, from which the effective memory bandwidth is computed. The accuracy of the analytical model is based on simulation results. Results from the model are compared against other approximate models previously reported in literature. It is observed that the error of the model measured in terms of error from simulation results is less than that of previously reported studies.

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Abstract:

This paper describes and evaluates the use of fuzzy logic **arbiters** for multiple shared memory multiprocessor system. Multiple-bus systems allow multiple a simultaneous bus transfer in addition to a high degree of fault tolerance. In si systems, **arbiters** are used to resolve conflicts to system resources, which ar shared memory modules and the buses. Typically, these conflicts are resolved two-stage **arbitration** schemes that employ policies such as random choice, chaining, round-robin, etc. A new way of implementing these **arbiters** is the logic to resolve resource **request** conflicts based on the system state and per variables. This paper describes a new technique for implementation of fuzzy li system **arbiters** and presents a simulation program that evaluates the syste performance. The program is coded in such a way as to accommodate any **ar** scheme, from which the fixed **priority** and fuzzy **priority** have been impleme Parameters affecting multiple-bus system performance are considered and us to the fuzzy **arbiters**. The inputs are fuzzified by using appropriate membersl functions, and rules have been defined in such a way as to increase and distri the acceptance **probability** of each processor in the system. Results from the program using a **prioritized arbitration** scheme are compared against other results and show very close agreement. Furthermore, results show an increas acceptance **probability** of the processors using fuzzy **arbiters**.

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REPRESENTATIVE-FIGURES: 1

ABSTRACT:

A circuit comprising a plurality of components sharing at least one shared resource, and a lottery manager. The lottery manager is adapted to receive request for ownership for said at least one shared resource from a subset of the plurality of components. Each of the subset of the plurality of components are assigned lottery tickets. The lottery manager is adapted to probabilistically choose one component from the subset of the plurality of components for assigning said at least one shared resource. The probabilistic choosing is weighted based on a number of lottery tickets being assigned to each of the subset of the plurality of components.

I. RELATED APPLICATIONS

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Brief Summary Text (26):

The motherboard level PIX busses each use a centralized arbitration scheme wherein each bus requester sends the ORB ASIC information about the requested packet type and about the state of its input queues. The ORB ASIC implements a fairness algorithm and grants bus requests based on such information received from requesters, and based on other information sampled from requesters. The ORB samples a mix of windowed and unwindowed requesters every bus clock cycle. Windowed requests have associated therewith particular time periods during which the request signal must be sampled and a grant issued and prioritized in accordance with predetermined parameters. At the same time that PIX bus requesters are being sampled, the ORB samples the busy signals of the potential bus targets. During the cycle after sampling, the ORB chooses one low priority requester, one medium priority requester and one high priority requester as potential bus grant candidates, based on: ordering information from a low and a medium request tracking FIFO; the state of the Busy signals sampled; and a "shuffle code" which ensures fairness of bus grants. Further selection for a single candidate for the PIXbus grant involves a prioritization algorithm in which high priority requests have priority over medium requests which have priority over low, and in which medium level requests are subjected to a "deli-counter-ticket" style prioritization scheme that maintains time ordering of transactions. High and low priority requests are not strictly granted based on time ordering.

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A very fast, memory efficient, highly expandable, highly efficient CCNUMA processing system based on a hardware architecture that minimizes system bus contention, maximizes processing forward progress by maintaining strong ordering and avoiding retries, and implements a full-map directory structure cache coherency protocol. A Cache Coherent Non-Uniform Memory Access (CCNUMA) architecture is implemented in a system comprising a plurality of integrated modules each consisting of a motherboard and two daughterboards. The daughterboards, which plug into the motherboard, each contain two Job Processors (JPs), cache memory, and input/output (I/O) capabilities. Located directly on the motherboard are additional integrated I/O capabilities in the form of two Small Computer System Interfaces (SCSI) and one Local Area Network (LAN) interface. The motherboard includes main memory, a memory controller (MC) and directory DRAMs for cache coherency. The motherboard also includes GTL backpanel interface logic, system clock generation and distribution logic, and local resources including a micro-controller for system initialization. A crossbar switch connects the various logic blocks together. A fully loaded motherboard contains 2 JP daughterboards, two PCI expansion boards, and up to 512 MB of main memory. Each daughterboard contains two 50 MHz Motorola 88110 JP complexes, having an associated 88410 cache controller and 1 MB Level 2 Cache. A single 16 MB third level write-through cache is also provided and is controlled by a third level cache controller.

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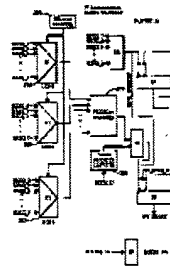
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ABSTRACT

A Service Level Management system is provided. A notification of a service level problem within a combination packet-switching and circuit-switching hybrid network is received by the system. The service level agreement is retrieved and the problem is checked against the agreement to determine if the agreement has been met. The notification of the problem is prioritized with a second notification of a second service level problem based on a number of times the agreement has not been met. Next, a resolution for the service level problem within the hybrid network is determined. The resolution may include a status report, resolution notification, problem reports, service reconfiguration, trouble notification, service level agreement violations, and/or outage notification. The progress of the implementation of the resolution is tracked. Finally, the hybrid network is managed based on the future predicted behavior of the network.

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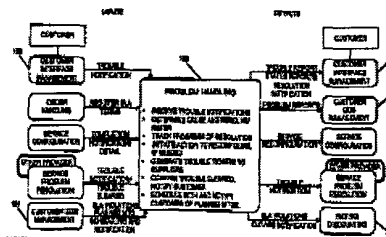
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* A SERVICE LEVEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM IS PROVIDED. A NOTIFICATION OF A SERVICE LEVEL PROBLEM WITHIN A COMBINATION PACKET-SWITCHING AND CIRCUIT-SWITCHING HYBRID NETWORK IS RECEIVED BY THE SYSTEM. THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT IS RETRIEVED AND THE PROBLEM IS CHECKED AGAINST THE AGREEMENT TO DETERMINE IF THE AGREEMENT HAS BEEN MET. THE NOTIFICATION OF THE PROBLEM IS PRIORITIZED WITH A SECOND NOTIFICATION OF A SECOND SERVICE LEVEL PROBLEM BASED ON A NUMBER OF TIMES THE AGREEMENT HAS NOT BEEN MET. NEXT, A RESOLUTION FOR THE SERVICE LEVEL PROBLEM WITHIN THE HYBRID NETWORK IS DETERMINED. THE RESOLUTION MAY INCLUDE A STATUS REPORT, RESOLUTION NOTIFICATION, PROBLEM REPORTS, SERVICE RECONFIGURATION, TROUBLE NOTIFICATION, SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT VIOLATIONS, AND/OR OUTAGE NOTIFICATION. THE PROGRESS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RESOLUTION IS TRACKED. FINALLY, THE HYBRID NETWORK IS MANAGED BASED ON THE FUTURE PREDICTED BEHAVIOR OF THE NETWORK.